

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

Group I, Claims 1-28, drawn to a method for joining structures together; and

Group II, Claims 29-48, drawn to a system of joined structures.

In response, the applicant elects Group II without traverse. Non-elected claims 1-28 have been canceled without prejudice to pursuing these claims in a continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, or other application.

No fees are believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees herein to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

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